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Mr. Jason Cooke  
Associate Commissioner for Medicaid and CHIP  
Texas Health and Human Services Commission  
Post Office Box 13247  
Austin, TX 78711

Dear Mr. Cooke:

I am pleased to inform you that your amendment request for the Texas Home and Community-Based Services Waiver (HCBSW) No. 0110.90.R2.13 (HCS) has been approved with an effective date of May 1, 2003. As authorized under the provisions of section 1915 (c) of the Social Security Act, this HCBSW program provides continuity of community-based services for individuals who would require services at the level provided by an Intermediate Care Facility for persons with mental retardation (ICF/MR). This amendment has been assigned control number 0110.90.R2.13, which should be used in all future correspondence regarding the program.

Specifically, this amendment reduces the geographic service area of the HCS program by 117 counties and the number of placements available in the program for Waiver Year 5. Individuals receiving services in these counties were transitioned to the HCBSW no. 0330.90, the Mental Retardation Local Authority Program, on May 1, 2003.

The following estimates of utilization and cost have been approved:

| Year | Unduplicated Recipients | Factor "D"  |
|------|-------------------------|-------------|
| 5    | 5313                    | \$35,495.15 |

For your convenience, a copy of the approved amendment is included with this correspondence. If you have any questions, please contact Cheryl Rupley of my staff at 214-767-6278.

Sincerely,

James Randolph Farris, M.D.  
Regional Administrator

cc: Director, Center for Medicaid and State Operations